

IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
FOR THE DISTRICT OF SOUTH CAROLINA
CHARLESTON DIVISION

Charles Maxfield,)	C.A. No. 2:05-2356-TLW-RSC
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Plaintiff,)	
)	
vs.)	ORDER
)	
Mr. George Gintolo, Director,)	
South Carolina Department of Mental Health;)	
Mr. John Connery,)	
South Carolina Department of Mental Health;)	
Mr. Jonathan Ozmint,)	
Director of South Carolina Department of)	
Corrections,)	
)	
Defendants.)	
)	

This matter is now before the undersigned for review of the Report and Recommendation (“the Report”) filed by United States Magistrate Judge Robert S. Carr, to whom this case had previously been assigned pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 636(b) and Local Rule 73.02(B)(2) (D.S.C.). In his Report, Magistrate Judge Carr recommends that the plaintiff’s motion for summary judgment be denied, that the defendants’ summary judgment motion be granted, and the action be ended. (Doc. # 19). Plaintiff has filed objections to the Report. (Doc. # 20).

In conducting this review, the Court applies the following standard:

The magistrate judge makes only a recommendation to the Court, to which any party may file written objections. . . . The Court is not bound by the recommendation of the magistrate judge but, instead, retains responsibility for the final determination. The Court is required to make a de novo determination of those portions of the report or specified findings or recommendation as to which an objection is made. However, the Court is not required to review, under a de novo or any other standard, the factual

or legal conclusions of the magistrate judge as to those portions of the Report and Recommendation to which no objections are addressed. While the level of scrutiny entailed by the Court's review of the Report thus depends on whether or not objections have been filed, in either case, the Court is free, after review, to accept, reject, or modify any of the magistrate judge's findings or recommendations.

Wallace v. Housing Auth. of the City of Columbia, 791 F.Supp. 137, 138 (D.S.C. 1992) (citations omitted).

In light of this standard, the Court has reviewed, de novo, the Report and the objections thereto.

For the reasons articulated by the Magistrate Judge, it is hereby **ORDERED** that the Magistrate Judge's Report is **ACCEPTED** (Doc. # 19), plaintiff's objections are **OVERRULED**, plaintiff's motion for summary judgment is **DENIED**, defendants' summary judgment motion is **GRANTED**, and this action is **DISMISSED**.

IT IS SO ORDERED.

s/ Terry L. Wooten
TERRY L. WOOTEN
UNITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE

June 7, 2006
Florence, South Carolina